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C O N F I D E N T I A L LAGOS 10179

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM NI
SUBJECT: WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL
DISCRIMINATION: THE ZIONISM-RACISM LINKAGE

REF: A) STATE 204786; B) LAGOS 7710

1. ON MORNING OF AUGUST 16 CHARGE MADE REPRESENTATIONS ON ABOVE
SUBJECT AND LEFT AIDE-MEMOIRE ALONG LINES REFTEL A WITH AMBASSADOR
SANU, DIRECTOR OF MEA'S INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DEPARTMENT.

2. SANU HASTENED TO POINT OUT THAT HE HAD WARNED DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY DALLEY DURING THEIR RECENT DISCUSSION (REFTEL B)
THAT NIGERIA WOULD NOT SEEK TO PREVENT REAFFIRMATION OF THE LINKAGE
BETWEEN ZIONISM AND RACISM DURING THE WORLD CONFERENCE IN GENEVA
IF THE US DID NOT ATTEND THE WORLD CONFERENCE. HE ARGUED THAT
THE US COULD NOT EXPECT OTHERS TO WAGE A DIFFICULT BATTLE FOR IT
IF THE US WAS UNWILLING TO TAKE PART IN IT.

3. SANU SAID THAT THERE HAD BEEN CONSIDERABLE READINESS ON THE
PART OF SOME AFRICAN PARTICIPANTS AT THE RECENT BELGRADE NON-
ALIGNED CONFERENCE TO OPPOSE, OR AT LEAST FILE FORMAL RESERVATIONS
AGAINST, THE LINKAGE WHICH WAS EFFECTED IN THE COMMUNIQUE
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BETWEEN ZIONISM AND RACISM. HE SAID THAT THIS MOVEMENT HAD
COLLAPSED WHEN WORD HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN
IN NEW YORK THAT THE US WOULD DEFINITELY NOT BE ATTENDING THE
WORLD CONFERENCE IN GENEVA.

4. COMMENT: WE EXPECT THAT THE VIEWPOINT EXPRESSED BY SANU
WILL BE THAT OF THE NIGERIAN DELEGATION IN GENEVA.

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